

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
receiving a user selection of one or more non-printer-specific print options via a network service[.];
storing the user selection of the one or more non-printer-specific print options in a user profile store;
wherein the one or more non-printer-specific print options are identified for subsequent resolution, and
wherein the one or more non-printer-specific print options can be applied to a plurality of other network services, the non-printer-specific print options serving to configure a printer in a particular manner for printing, the particular manner defined by the one or more print non-printer-specific options submitted with a print request to the printer where the one or more non-printer-specific options are used in printing a document and the printer applies requested print options that the printer supports in accordance with the non-printer-specific print options that are identified in the print request.

2. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the network service comprises an Internet imaging home page.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the other network services comprise one or more other printing services communicatively coupled to the network service.

4. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
receiving a user-selected name for the one or more non-printer-specific print options;
storing the one or more non-printer-specific print options as associated with the user-selected name; and
allowing subsequent selection of the one or more non-printer-specific print options by the user based on the user-selected name.

5. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable media ~~having stored thereon~~ encoded with a plurality of instructions that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to perform acts including:

communicating a plurality of possible print options to a client computer;
receiving a user indication of selected ones of the plurality of possible print options;

receiving an identifier, indicated by the user, associated with the selected print options;

saving the selected print options with the associated identifier; and

making the selected print options subsequently available to the user for configuring of a plurality of printers in a particular manner, the particular manner defined by the one or more print options submitted with a print request to a respective one of the plurality of printers where the one or more options are used in printing a document, wherein each of the plurality of print options is not specific to a particular printer and the respective one of the plurality of printers applies requested print options that the printer supports in accordance with the non-printer-specific print options that are identified in the print request.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) One or more computer readable media as recited in claim 5, wherein the making further comprises making the selected print options subsequently available for user-selection by the identifier associated with the selected print options.

8. (Original) One or more computer readable media as recited in claim 5, further comprising saving a plurality of sets of selected print options and associated identifiers, and making each of the plurality of sets of selected print options subsequently available to the user for configuring of a plurality of printers.

9. (Currently Amended) A graphical user interface comprising:
a plurality of portions illustrating user-selectable non-printer-specific print options and graphical mechanisms via which a user can select the print options;

an additional user-input mechanism via which the user can input an identifier of the selected non-printer-specific print options; and

another graphical mechanism via which the user can indicate a desire to save the selected non-printer-specific print options as associated with the identifier and for subsequent provision to a plurality of printers, the print options serving to configure a printer in a particular manner for printing, the particular manner defined by the one or more non-printer-specific print options submitted with a print request to a respective one of the plurality of printers where the one or more non-printer-specific print options are used in printing a document and the respective one of the plurality of printers applies requested print options that the printer supports in accordance with the non-printer-specific print options that are identified in the print request.

10. (Original) A graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, wherein one or more of the graphical mechanisms in the plurality of portions comprises a checkbox.

11. (Original) A graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, wherein one or more of the graphical mechanisms in the plurality of portions comprises a data input box via which the user can input alphanumeric characters.

12. (Previously Presented) A graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, wherein the identifier of the selected non-printer-specific print options comprises a user-specified name.

13. (Original) A graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, wherein the other graphical mechanism comprises a user-selectable on-screen button.

14. (Original) A graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, wherein the graphical mechanisms in the plurality of portions include one or more of: a check box, a radio button, a list box, an editable text box, a command button, a drop-down list, a popup menu, a spinner, and a slider.

15. (Currently Amended) One or more computer readable media ~~having stored thereon~~ encoded with a plurality of instructions that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to perform acts including:

receiving an indication of one of a plurality of sets of non-printer-specific print options to be used in printing a document irrespective of a printer on which the document is to be printed, the non-printer-specific print options serving to configure the printer in a particular manner for printing, the particular manner defined by the one or more non-printer-specific print options submitted with a print request to a printer where the one or more non-printer-specific print options are used in printing the document;

receiving an indication of one of a plurality of printers on which the document is to be printed; and

communicating the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options to the indicated printer irrespective of whether the printer supports one or more of the non-printer-specific print options identified in the set of non-printer-specific print options, wherein the printer applies requested print options that the printer supports in accordance with the non-printer-specific print options that are identified in the print request.

16. (Previously Presented) One or more computer readable media as recited in claim 15, wherein the plurality of instructions further cause the one or more processors to perform acts including:

determining, based on the indication of the one printer on which the document is to be printed, which of the non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options is supported by the one printer; and

communicating, for display to the user, an indication of which of the non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options is supported by the one printer.

17. (Previously Presented) One or more computer readable media as recited in claim 15, wherein the plurality of instructions further cause the one or more processors to perform acts including:

determining, based on the indication of the one printer on which the document is to be printed, which of the non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options is supported by the one printer; and

communicating, for display to the user, an indication of which of the non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options is not supported by the one printer.

18. (Previously Presented) One or more computer readable media as recited in claim 15, wherein the plurality of instructions further cause the one or more processors to perform acts including:

determining, for each of the plurality of printers, which of the non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options is supported by the printer;

identifying one or more of the plurality of printers that support the most non-printer-specific print options in the indicated set of non-printer-specific print options; and

communicating, for display to the user, the identified one or more printers.

19. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a network interface configured to allow the system to communicate with one or more other systems via a network; and

a printer configuration user interface, communicatively coupled to the network interface, wherein the printer configuration user interface is configured to allow a user of a client interface to select print options and group the selection together as a configuration associated with a particular name, and wherein the printer configuration user interface is further configured to allow the user to select print options without regard for print options supported by a printer that the user can subsequently print to, the print options serving to configure the printer in a particular manner for printing, the particular manner defined by the one or more print options submitted with a print request to the printer where the one or more options are used in printing the document, wherein each of the plurality of print options is not specific to a particular printer and the printer applies requested print options that the printer supports in accordance with the non-printer-specific print options that are identified in the print request.

20. (Original) A system as recited in claim 19, further comprising:

a print user interface, communicatively coupled to the network interface, wherein the printer user interface is configured to allow the user to select one of the configurations by its associated name, and further configured to allow the user to select a printer that is to be used to print a document using the configuration.

21. (Original) A system as recited in claim 20, wherein the print user interface is further configured to allow the user to select one of the configurations without regard for print options supported by the printer that is to be used to print the document.

22. (Previously Presented) A method, implemented in a print service coupled to a network, the method comprising:

receiving, from a device in the network, a print request identifying both a document to be printed and a set of desired non-printer-specific print options, wherein the set of desired non-printer-specific print options includes a corresponding setting for one or more of the desired non-printer-specific print options;

checking whether a printer corresponding to the print service supports the desired non-printer-specific print options; and

for each option in the set of desired non-printer-specific print options,

applying the setting corresponding to the option if the printer supports the non-printer-specific print option, and

ignoring the setting corresponding to the option if the printer does not support the non-printer-specific print option.

23. (Original) A method as recited in claim 22, wherein the print service comprises a print server corresponding to the printer.

24. (Original) A method as recited in claim 22, wherein the print service is implemented at the printer.

25. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 22, wherein the applying comprises applying the setting corresponding to the non-printer-specific print option if the printer supports the non-printer-specific print option without regard for whether the printer is currently capable of carrying out the non-printer-specific print option.